Nahant Aug. 12

Dear Debrah,

I inclose Dear Anne's most interesting letter - we cannot tell you how much we have enjoyed it. You were very kind to think of us. No one could be more interested in hearing all their steps. Do let us see always all you

care. It should have been returned earlier but Phebe was away & Anna was very desirous to have her dear & fine old letter from our little Annie -

You have been M.G.L. full handed, I suppose, all that is to be known about Hallowts - I know nothing but mean to inquire of M.G.L. We are without news - Ashurst is crowded & we chance to see

everybody a next towns lives
an Irish girl, Harriet,
who dresses hair & sells curles
& all the fashionables kill
their mornings by rolling
up in coaches to exhibit
themselves behind a tree
near her gates.

Anne has teased my
gratitude so much that I
shall sit down & write
her a note. So pray
that something may happen
& you not know of it &
also that my letter may

have some interest -

Love to maria & your mother. I hope she bears the strange summer well & looks as well as when I saw her - Henry said as a parting wish before he goes to make his fortune the other side of the globe - Miel who married a Miss Neal is here - He is the Miel who gave lectures in French & Edmund was his hearer - He looking on the Jesuits they work as the botanists you heard Edmund note It is not strange that one who made wax flowers should fall in love with Miel -

Yours truly
Wm & Wendell -

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